Sri T. R. SHAMANNA.—Sir, since the cycle tax has been abolished after I sent this question, I have no supplementaries. I thank the Government for having abolished this uneconomical and irritating tax.

Strike by the Students of Lingaraj and R.L. Science Colleges

596. Sri B. B. SAYANAK (Belgaum) .-

Will the Minister for Education be pleased to state :-

- (a) whether it is a fact that the students of Lingaraj College and R.L. Science College of Belgaum went on strike on 7th January 1969;
- (b) whether it is a fact that the authorities of colleges are collecting Rs. 10 from each student for Golden Jubilee of the Colleges;

(c) if so, the number of days the students went on strike?

Sri N. M. KOTRABASAIAH SOGI (Deputy Minister for Education) .-

- (a) No.
- (b) Yes. On voluntary basis.
- (c) Does not arise.
- Sri B. B. SAYANAK.—Has it not come to the notice of the Government that the grievances of the students of both these colleges had appeared in the local Papers in Belgaum?
- †Sri N. M. KOTRABASIAH SOGI.—It has not come to the notice of the Government. Even if it had appeared in the Papers, simply because it has appeared in the Papers, it cannot be taken as correct.

Mr. SPEAKER .- Now Question Hour is over.

QUESTIONS FOR ANSWERS ON THE DAY

(but not taken up)

Appointment of S.C. and S.T. Candidates in M.S.R.T.C.

32. Sri S. S. ARAKERI (Balloli).__

Will the Minister for Transport be pleased to state :-

- (a) whether 18 per cent of the posts in Bijapur Division of M.S.R.T.C. have been filled in by appointing the persons belonging to Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribes; if not, the reasons therefor;
- (b) the action Government propose to take for maintaining the 18 per cent of reservation: